

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-79 without disclaimer of or prejudice to the subject matter therein.

Please add Claims 80 through 93 as follows:

Sub G1> 80. (New) An image reproduction control apparatus, comprising:
a storage unit using a recording medium, the recording medium storing a plurality of reproducible images and a reproduction instruction file containing at least one file name specifying at least one image to be reproduced, the reproduction instruction file being separate from the plurality of images;
a reading section for reading the reproduction instruction file stored in the recording medium; and
a reproduction control section that controls reproduction of the reproducible images by reading the image specified by the reproduction instruction file read by said reading section,
wherein reproduction is not performed for a particular reproducible image of the at least one image to be reproduced if said reproduction control section determines that the particular image to be reproduced is not recorded in the recording medium, and
wherein if a next reproducible image is specified by the reproduction instruction file and said reproduction control section determines that the next reproducible image is recorded in the recording medium, the next reproducible image is reproduced.

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81. (New) The image reproduction control apparatus of Claim 80, further comprising a print unit for printing images reproduced by said reproduction control section.

82. (New) The image reproduction control apparatus of Claim 80, further comprising a display for displaying the file name of the particular image for which reproduction is not performed.

83. (New) The image reproduction control apparatus of Claim 80, further comprising a display adapted and configured to display one of the at least one image to be reproduced and the file name of the at least one image to be reproduced specified by the reproduction instruction file, so as to allow a user to confirm the image to be reproduced specified by the reproduction instruction file.

84. (New) The image reproduction control apparatus of Claim 83, wherein said display displays the at least one image to be reproduced specified by the reproduction instruction file.

85. (New) The image reproduction control apparatus of Claim 83, wherein said display displays the file name of the at least one image to be reproduced specified by the reproduction instruction file.

86. (New) A method of controlling image reproduction, the method comprising:

providing a storage unit using a recording medium, the recording medium storing a plurality of reproducible images and a reproduction instruction file containing at least one file name specifying at least one image to be reproduced, the reproduction instruction file being separate from the plurality of images;

reading the reproduction instruction file stored in the recording medium; and

controlling reproduction of the reproducible images by reading the image specified by the reproduction instruction file in said reading step,

wherein reproduction is not performed for a particular reproducible image of the at least one image to be reproduced if said reproduction control step determines that the particular image to be reproduced is not recorded in the recording medium, and

wherein if a next reproducible image is specified by the reproduction instruction file and said reproduction controlling step determines that the next reproducible image is recorded in the recording medium, the next reproducible image is reproduced.

87. (New) A computer-readable storage medium storing a program for executing a method of controlling image reproduction, wherein the method comprises:

providing a storage unit using a recording medium, the recording medium storing a plurality of reproducible images and a reproduction instruction file containing at least one file name specifying at least one image to be reproduced, the reproduction instruction file being separate from the plurality of images;

reading the reproduction instruction file stored in the recording medium; and

controlling reproduction of the reproducible images by reading the image specified by the reproduction instruction file in said reading step,

wherein reproduction is not performed for a particular reproducible image of the at least one image to be reproduced if said reproduction control step determines that the particular image to be reproduced is not recorded in the recording medium, and

wherein if a next reproducible image is specified by the reproduction instruction file and said reproduction controlling step determines that the next reproducible image is recorded in the recording medium, the next reproducible image is reproduced.

88. (New) A recording control apparatus for controlling recording of images in a recording medium, the apparatus including a storage section using at least the recording medium for storing a plurality of reproducible images and a reproduction instruction file containing instruction information including at least one file name specifying at least one image to be reproduced, the reproduction instruction file being separate from the plurality of images, the apparatus comprising:

an indication section for indicating deletion of at least one of the plurality of reproducible images stored in the recording section; and

a control section for controlling deletion of the instruction information in the reproduction instruction file corresponding to the at least one image indicated by said indication section to be deleted if instruction information corresponding to the at least one image is stored in the reproduction instruction file.

89. (New) The recording control apparatus of Claim 88, wherein said recording medium is a detachable memory.

90. (New) The recording control apparatus of Claim 88, wherein the reproduction instruction file is recorded in the same recording medium as the plurality of reproducible images.

91. (New) The recording control apparatus of Claim 88, further comprising a sensing unit and an image display unit to display the particular reproducible image to be deleted.

ss GT) 92. (New) A method of controlling recording of images in a recording medium, the method comprising:

fi providing a storage section using at least the recording medium for storing a plurality of reproducible images and a reproduction instruction file containing instruction information including at least one file name specifying at least one image to be reproduced, the reproduction instruction file being separate from the plurality of images;

an indication step of indicating deletion of at least one of the plurality of reproducible images stored in the storage section; and

a control step of controlling deletion of the instruction information in the reproduction instruction file corresponding to the at least one image indicated in said indication step to be deleted if image information corresponding to the at least one image is stored in the reproduction instruction file.

93. (New) A computer-readable storage medium storing a program for executing a method of controlling recording of images in a recording medium, wherein the method comprises:

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providing a storage section using at least the recording medium for storing a plurality of reproducible images and a reproduction instruction file containing instruction information including at least one file name specifying at least one image to be reproduced, the reproduction instruction file being separate from the plurality of images;

an indication step of indicating deletion of at least one of the plurality of reproducible images stored in the storage section; and

a control step of controlling deletion of the instruction information in the reproduction instruction file corresponding to the at least one image indicated in said indication step to be deleted if image information corresponding to the at least one image is stored in the reproduction instruction file.

REMARKS

Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Claims 80-93 are pending in this application, with Claims 80, 86-88, 92, and 93 being independent.

Claims 1-55 and 57-79 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,633,678 (Parulski, et al.). Claim 56 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being obvious over Parulski, et al. in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,901,278 (Kurihara, et al.).